

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4787–S4867*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3475–3482, and S. Res. 549–550. **Pages S4849–50**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 1388, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam. (S. Rept. No. 111–204)

S. 3087, to support revitalization and reform of the Organization of American States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–205) **Page S4849**

#### Measures Passed:

**Cruise Vessel Security and Safety Act:** Senate passed H.R. 3360, to amend title 46, United States Code, to establish requirements to ensure the security and safety of passengers and crew on cruise vessels, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S4865**

Dorgan (for Rockefeller) Amendment No. 4339, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4865–66**

**National Health Information Technology Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 550, designating the week beginning on June 14, 2010, and ending on June 18, 2010, as “National Health Information Technology Week” to recognize the value of health information technology to improving health quality. **Page S4866**

#### Measures Considered:

**EPA Greenhouse Gases Resolution:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 26, disapproving a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to the endangerment finding and the cause or contribute findings for greenhouse gases under section 202(a) of the Clean Air Act. **Pages S4789–S4836**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 47 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 184), Senate rejected the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution. **Page S4836**

#### Appointments:

**United States Commission on International Religious Freedom:** The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–292, as amended by Public Law 106–55, and as further amended by Public Law 107–228, appointed the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Leonard A. Leo of Virginia Vice Preeta D. Bansal. **Page S4866**

**American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, June 14, 2010, Senate resume consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 4213, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions. **Page S4866**

**Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 15, 2010, Senate begin consideration and debate concurrently the following nominations for a total of 20 minutes, with the time equally divided and controlled between Senators Leahy and Sessions, or their designees: Tanya Walton Pratt, of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, Brian Anthony Jackson, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana, and Elizabeth Erny Foote, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations, in the order listed; that after the first vote, the succeeding votes be limited to 10 minutes each. **Page S4865**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

6 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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**Nomination Received:** Senate received the following nomination:

James E. Graves, Jr., of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit. Page S4866

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—184) Page S4836

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:05 p.m., until 2 p.m. on Monday, June 14, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4866.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of John S. Pistole, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### U.S.-CHINA ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the United States-China economic relationship, focusing on a new approach for a new China, after receiving testimony from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

### STRATEGIC ARMS CONTROL AND NATIONAL SECURITY

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation

of Strategic Offensive Arms, signed in Prague on April 8, 2010, with Protocol (Treaty Doc.111–05), after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft, USAF (Ret.), Scowcroft Group, and Stephen J. Hadley, United States Institute of Peace, both of Washington, D.C.

### LOCAL EFFECTS OF OIL SPILL

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration concluded a hearing to examine assessing the effects of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill on states, localities and the private sector, after receiving testimony from Juliette Kayyem, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs, and Rear Admiral Roy A. Nash, Deputy Director, National Maritime Intelligence Center, United States Coast Guard, both of the Department of Homeland Security; Mark A. Cooper, Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, New Orleans; Mayor David Camardelle, Grand Isle, Louisiana; Billy Nungesser, Plaquemines Parish President, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana; and Ray Dempsey and Darryl Willis, both of BP America, both of Washington, D.C.

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Dennis J. Toner, of Delaware, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Kaufman, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### REVIEW OF SAFETY MANAGEMENT IN OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety concluded a hearing to examine production over protections, focusing on a review of process safety management in the oil and gas industry, after receiving testimony from Jordan Barab, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health Administration; Kim Nibarger, United Steelworkers (USW), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Randall Sawyer, Contra Costa County Hazardous Materials Programs, Martinez, California; and Charles Drevna, National Petrochemical and Refiners Association, Washington, D.C.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2802, to settle land claims within the Fort Hall Reservation, with an amendment;